## **Media Release**



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L-R: Creswick & District Hospital Auxiliary members Margaret Orr (President), Sheila Cartledge, Helen Tink, Margaret Edgar and Beth Huntley with Director of Nursing, Pam Saunders, centre-back.

## **Hospital Auxiliary Keeps on Giving**

A donation from the Creswick & District Hospital Auxiliary has enabled the purchase of an oxygen concentrator and six bed sticks for the benefit of residents and patients at Creswick Hospital & Aged Care.

The donation was made possible from funds raised at the annual Summer luncheon held in March this year. Sponsorship from the Creswick & District Community Bank ensured that all funds raised went directly to supporting the Hospital.

The new oxygen concentrator will assist patients with respiratory problems and specialist needs, while the bed sticks will assist residents to maintain as much independence as possible while maintaining a safe environment.

Formed in 1951 for the betterment of patients and staff, the Auxiliary has been a valuable and integral part of the Hospital, raising tens of thousands in donations over the past 64 years.

"The Creswick & District Hospital Auxiliary continue to provide much needed items and equipment that greatly improves the comfort of, and delivery of care to, our residents and patients, "says Pam Saunders, Director of Nursing at Creswick Hospital & Aged Care. "The ongoing assistance the Auxiliary provides is greatly appreciated by all at Hepburn Health."

In addition to the annual Summer and Winter luncheons, the Auxiliary also conducts an annual 'warehouse shopping trip' to Melbourne as well as a sausage sizzle at Bunnings in Ballarat.

The Auxiliary will be holding its Winter 'Casserole Luncheon' on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> August. If you would like further information, or if you would like to join the auxiliary, contact Joan La franchi, Secretary of the Creswick & District Hospital Auxiliary on 03 5338 2584.

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